

## **Special Public Notice**

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# PUBLIC NOTICE FOR FEDERAL REGISTER NOTICE ANNOUNCING NEW NATIONWIDE PERMITS

On March 12, 2007, in Part II of the *Federal Register* (72 FR 11092), the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) announced the reissuance of all existing Nationwide Permits (NWPs), general conditions, and definitions with some modifications. The Corps also issued six new NWPs, two new general conditions, and 13 new definitions. The NWPs will be effective on March 19, 2007.

The Nashville and Memphis Districts are not proposing any regional conditions for activities within the State of Tennessee.

The publication of this *Federal Register* notice also begins the 60-day period for states, Indian Tribes, and the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to complete their water quality certification (WQC) process for the NWPs. This 60-day period will end on May 11, 2007.

While the states, Indian Tribes, and EPA complete their WQC processes, the use of an NWP to authorize a discharge into waters of the United States is contingent upon obtaining individual water quality certification or a case-specific WQC waiver.

The March 12, 2007, *Federal Register* notice is available for viewing at the Nashville District Corps of Engineers, Regulatory Office, 3701 Bell Road, Nashville, TN, 37214, or on the Internet at <a href="http://www.usace.army.mil/cw/cecwo/reg/nwp/nwp\_2007\_final.pdf">http://www.usace.army.mil/cw/cecwo/reg/nwp/nwp\_2007\_final.pdf</a>. As an alternate, World Wide Web users can access the *Federal Register* through the U.S. Government Printing Office at <a href="http://www.gpoaccess.gov/fr/index.html">http://www.gpoaccess.gov/fr/index.html</a>.

These documents are also available on the Internet at <a href="http://www.usace.army.mil/cw/cecwo/reg/nwp/nwp\_final.htm">http://www.usace.army.mil/cw/cecwo/reg/nwp/nwp\_final.htm</a> and Corps district offices. Furthermore, the NWP decision documents will be supplemented by Division Engineers to address decisions concerning regional conditioning of the NWPs.

#### Index of Nationwide Permits, Conditions, Further Information, and Definitions

#### **Nationwide Permits**

- 1. Aids to Navigation
- 2. Structures in Artificial Canals
- 3. Maintenance
- 4. Fish and Wildlife Harvesting, Enhancement, and Attraction Devices and Activities
- 5. Scientific Measurement Devices
- 6. Survey Activities
- 7. Outfall Structures and Associated Intake Structures
- 8. Oil and Gas Structures on the Outer Continental Shelf
- 9. Structures in Fleeting and Anchorage Areas
- 10. Mooring Buoys
- 11. Temporary Recreational Structures
- 12. Utility Line Activities
- 13. Bank Stabilization
- 14. Linear Transportation Projects
- 15. U.S. Coast Guard Approved Bridges
- 16. Return Water From Upland Contained Disposal Areas
- 17. Hydropower Projects
- 18. Minor Discharges
- 19. Minor Dredging
- 20. Oil Spill Cleanup
- 21. Surface Coal Mining Operations
- 22. Removal of Vessels
- 23. Approved Categorical Exclusions
- 24. Indian Tribe or State Administered Section 404 Programs
- 25. Structural Discharges
- 26. [Reserved]
- 27. Aquatic Habitat Restoration, Establishment, and Enhancement Activities
- 28. Modifications of Existing Marinas
- 29. Residential Developments
- 30. Moist Soil Management for Wildlife
- 31. Maintenance of Existing Flood Control Facilities
- 32. Completed Enforcement Actions
- 33. Temporary Construction, Access, and Dewatering
- 34. Cranberry Production Activities
- 35. Maintenance Dredging of Existing Basins
- 36. Boat Ramps
- 37. Emergency Watershed Protection and Rehabilitation
- 38. Cleanup of Hazardous and Toxic Waste
- 39. Commercial and Institutional Developments
- 40. Agricultural Activities
- 41. Reshaping Existing Drainage Ditches
- 42. Recreational Facilities
- 43. Stormwater Management Facilities

- 44. Mining Activities
- 45. Repair of Uplands Damaged by Discrete Events
- 46. Discharges in Ditches
- 47. Pipeline Safety Program Designated Time Sensitive Inspections and Repairs
- 48. Existing Commercial Shellfish Aquaculture Activities
- 49. Coal Remining Activities
- 50. Underground Coal Mining Activities

#### Nationwide Permit General Conditions

- 1. Navigation
- 2. Aquatic Life Movements
- 3. Spawning Areas
- 4. Migratory Bird Breeding Areas
- 5. Shellfish Beds
- 6. Suitable Material
- 7. Water Supply Intakes
- 8. Adverse Effects from Impoundments
- 9. Management of Water Flows
- 10. Fills Within 100-Year Floodplains
- 11. Equipment
- 12. Soil Erosion and Sediment Controls
- 13. Removal of Temporary Fills
- 14. Proper Maintenance
- 15. Wild and Scenic Rivers
- 16. Tribal Rights
- 17. Endangered Species
- 18. Historic Properties
- 19. Designated Critical Resource Waters
- 20. Mitigation
- 21. Water Quality
- 22. Coastal Zone Management
- 23. Regional and Case-by-Case Conditions
- 24. Use of Multiple Nationwide Permits
- 25. Transfer of Nationwide Permit Verifications
- 26. Compliance Certification
- 27. Pre-Construction Notification
- 28. Single and Complete Project

### **Further Information**

#### **Definitions**

Best management practices (BMPs) Compensatory mitigation Currently serviceable Discharge

Enhancement

Ephemeral stream

Establishment (creation)

Historic property

Independent utility

Intermittent stream

Loss of waters of the United States

Non-tidal wetland

Open water

Ordinary high water mark

Perennial stream

Practicable

Pre-construction notification

Preservation

Re-establishment

Rehabilitation

Restoration

Riffle and pool complex

Riparian areas

Shellfish seeding

Single and complete project

Stormwater management

Stormwater management facilities

Stream bed

Stream channelization

Structure

Tidal wetland

Vegetated shallows

Waterbody